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One in a series introducing students to Southeast Alaska Native languages, this booklet presents simple dialogues in Tlingit with English translations following. The 14 dialogues, consisting of 4 responses each, provide practice with a variety of basic sentence patterns. Dialogues include social greetings and questions about name, age, and tribal origin; five dialogues ask and answer questions about the weather. Line drawings illustrate each dialogue. (JH)

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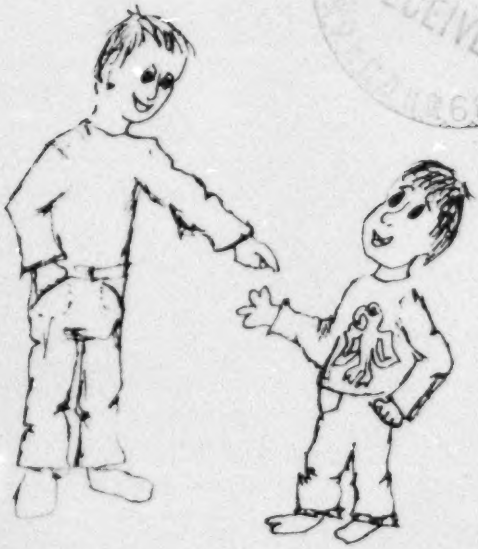

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Betty: Daa sáyá?

Mike: Seit áyá.

Betty: Daa sáwé?

Mike: Dáanaa áwé.

Betty: What is this?

Mike: This is a necklace.

Betty: What is that?

Mike: That is a dollar.

Mike: Goosú we kées?

Betty: Yáadú kées.

Mike: Goosú we séek?

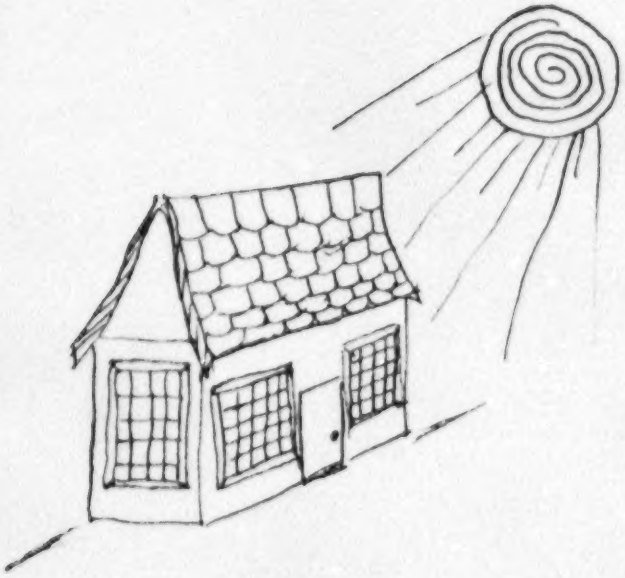
Betty: Yáadu séek.

Mike: Where is the bracelet?

Betty: Here is the bracelet?

Mike: Where is the belt?

Betty: Here is the belt.



Betty: Daa sá iyatéen?

Mike: Hít xaatéen.

Mike: Daa sá iyateen?

Betty: Dís xaatéen.

Betty: What do you see?

Mike: I see a house.

Mike: What do you see?

Betty: I see the moon.

Karen: Kooxeedaa ákyá?

John: Aaá, kooxeedaa áyá.

Karen: Nadáakw ák.wé?

John: Aaá, nadáakw awé.

Karen: Is this a pencil?

Johr: Yes, it's a pencil.

Karen: Is that a table?

John: Yes, that's a table.

Betty: Xoots gé íyatéen?

Mike: Λaá, xoots x̲aatéen.

Mike: Chaatl ákyá?

Betty: Tléik', kéet áwé.

Betty: Can you see a brown bear?

Mike: Yes, I can see a brown bear.

Mike: Is this a halibut?

Betty: No, that is a killer whale.

Mike: Daa sá íyatéen?

Karen: Kéet xaatéen ka dóosh tsú.

Mike: Daa sá íyatéen?

Karen: Dei xaatéen, ka gooch tsú.

Mike: What can you see?

Karen: I see a dog and a cat also.

Mike: What can you see?

Karen: I see a road and a mountain also.

John: Wáa sá idwasáakw?

Betty: Betty yóo xat dwasáakw.

Karen: Wáa sá dwasáakw?

John: Betty yóo dwasáakw.

John: What is your name?

Betty: Betty is my name.

Karen: What is her name?

John: Betty is her name.

Karen: Wáa sá xat Dwasáakw?

Betty: Karen yóo xat dwasáakw.

John: Daaku aa naax sá istee?

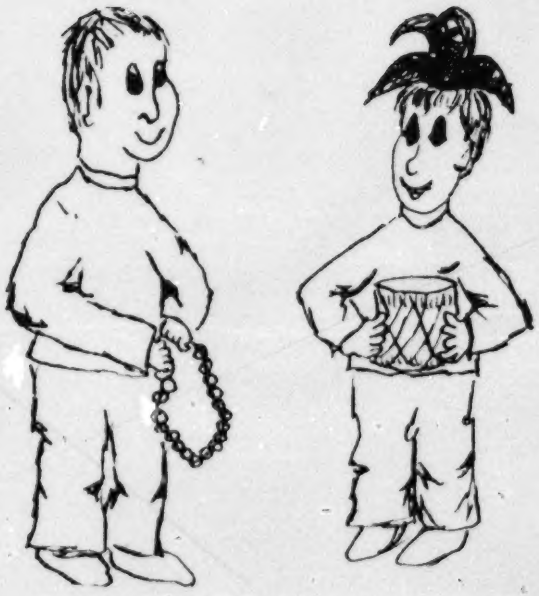
Louann: Ch'áak' naax xat sitee.

Karen: What is my name?

Betty: Karen is your name.

John: Which moiety are you?

Louann: I'm Eagle moiety.



Mary: Daaku aa naax sá istee?

Bill: Yéil naax xat sitee.

Bill: Goot'á kwáan sá we.é?

Mary: Kichxáan kwaan áyá xát.

Mary: Which moiety are you?

Bill: I'm Raven moiety.

Bill: Where are you from?

Mary: I'm from Ketchikan.

David: Wáa sá kuyatee?

Louann: Kuwak'éi.

David: Kuligóos'.

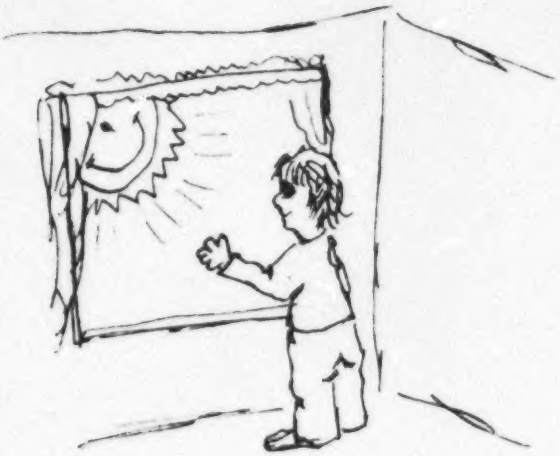
Louann: Kus.áat.

David: How's the weather?

Louann: Fine.

David: It's cloudy.

Louann: It's cold.



Louann: Kuwdwagwás' ágé?

David: Tleik', awdgan.

David: Kuwat'aa ágé?

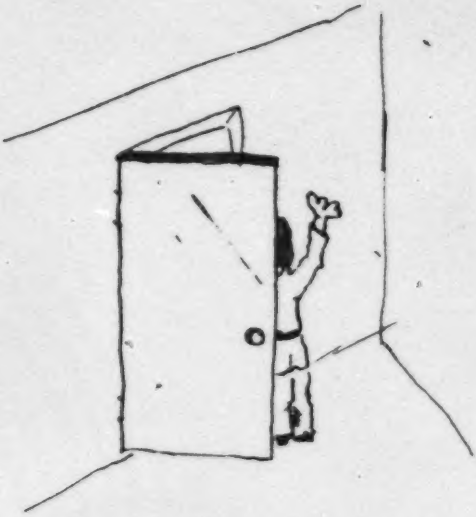
Louann: Tleik', kus.áat.

Louann: Is it foggy?

David: No, it's sunny.

David: Is it warm?

Louann: No, it's cold.



Mary: Wáa sá yatee gáan?

John: Aadéi akkwalgéen.

Mary: Kuwak'éi ágé?

John: Aaá, kúnáx kuwak'éi.

Mary: How is the outside?

John: I'll take a look.

Mary: Is it fine?

John: Yes, it is very fine.

Sue: Wáa sá k̲uwatee?

Jim: Ayakaawadán.

Jim: Tlét k̲oosk'e'.

Sue: X̲at yaawasík.

Sue: How's the weather?

Jim: It is snowing hard.

Jim: The weather is not good.

Sue: I'm stormbound.

Mary: Awdgaan yáa yakee.

John: Kootwat'aa tatgé.

John: Awdgaan tatgé.

Mary: Kuwat'yáa yakee.

Mary: It is sunny.

John: It was hot yesterday.

John: It was sunny yesterday.

Mary: It's fine today.